

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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SUBJECT: CNG FILLING STATIONS IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) filling stations in Delhi;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that there are long queues at the filling stations and the vehicles have to wait for hours for filling of CNG;
- (c) whether the Government has received requests for providing CNG facility at various places in Delhi;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (e) whether the Government would consider to set up more CNG filling stations in Delhi; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI PINSHA PATEL)

- (a): There are 144 CNG filling stations in Delhi.
- (b): Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) and Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have been providing comfortable CNG fuelling all over Delhi. However, the queue formation is generally observed during peak office hours in morning and evening for the non-bus segment and during night for the bus segment. This is due to a recent increase in the number of CNG vehicles, as also the customers preferring a certain time to get the vehicles filled.
- (c)&(d): No, specific request has been received.
- (e) & (f): An action plan for setting up additional CNG stations has been launched by IGL. The company has requested Delhi Development Authority (DDA), Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD), Land & Development Office (L&DO) and Airports Authority of India (AAI) for additional land for this purpose and the number of proposals pending with these agencies are 29,5,4 and 1 respectively.

Normally, installation of a new CNG station takes about 8 to 9 months after the land is allotted and its possession is taken. However, in the intervening period, IGL is making efforts to overcome the problem of overcrowding to some extent by enhancing the existing infrastructure and adding new OMC outlets.